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PROGRAM

for

The Honorable Farris Bryant
Director, Office of Emergency Planning

Wednesday, 6 April 1966

1400 -

Director of Central Intelligence

1430 - 1500 7-F-33 CIA Operations Center
Captain C. Marriner Bertholf

1500 ~ 1530 7-F-33 Office of Current Intelligence

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Governor Bryant will be accompanied by Mr. John C. Green, Director, Research Office, and Dr. John F. Allums, Intelligence Officer, of the Office of Emergency Planning.

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Coordination and Escort Officer: Liaison Staff/CR, Extension 5606.

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Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

President Johnson today announced his intention to nominate the Honorable Cecil Farris Bryant, former Governor of the State of Florida, to be the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning within the Executive Office of the President. This position pays \$28,500 per year. If confirmed, Governor Bryant would fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of the Honorable Buford Ellington.

Governor Bryant was born July 26, 1914, in Ocala, Flbrida. He studied at Emory University from 1931 to 1932. He received the B.S. degree from Harvard in 1938. In that same year he was admitted to the bar of the State of Florida.

From 1940 until his imauguration as Governor in January 1961, he was engaged in the private practice of law in Ocala, Florida, with the exception of the years from 1943 to 1946 when he served with the United States Navy. He attained the rank of Lieutenant during his active service. In 1942, he was elected to the Florida House of Representatives. He was elected again in 1946 and served in the House of Representatives until 1956. From 1953 until 1954, he was Speaker of the House of Representatives. He was elected Governor in 1960 and served in that office until January 1965 when he returned to the private practice of law in Ocala.

Governor Bryant has been awarded honorary degrees from Florida Southern College and Rollins College. He has been very active in civic and charitable programs and has served as fund raising chairman for the March of Dimes, the American Cancer Society and the Mental Health Association.

In 1952, he served as a Delegate to the Democratic National Convention and in 1960 as an Alternate Delegate.

He is a member of the American Bar Association and the Florida Bar Association, a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He has also been active with the Masons, the Elks, and the Rotary.

On September 18, 1940, he married the former Julia Burnett. They have three children. The Bryants reside at 1818 Duval Road in Ocala, Approved For Release 2001/09/04: CIA-RDP79, 100827A000200090001-6, Florida.

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The new head of OEP, Governor Brant, will be at CIA HQ for briefing on the afternoon of Wednesday, 6 April 66.

Sked tentatively calls for him to start with DCI at 1400 for a briefing on the Agency, then 30 min withSTATINTL Capt. Bertholf on Ops Center, then 45-minute briefing of world trouble spots by

He will be accompanied by John Green (sp?) and John Allems (sp?) who accompanied Gov. Ellington last June when JCM briefed.

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Contact is OCR/OL, Red 1319. He says the two Johns are cleared for TS/Codeword, and he understands that Gov. Brant will have the same clearance by the time of the briefing.

Have arranged with Cpt. B. to use the Ops Center Sit Room for the briefing. Our portion should start ca 1500-1515 and run about 40 min, leaving some time for questioning.

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